

BLAMING BALFOUR FOR LISTLESSNESS

Former Premier Said to Have
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LIBERAL VICTORY EXPECTED BY ALL

Conservative Leaders Trying to
Convince Voters. Tariff Is
Harmless.

LONDON, Jan. 12.—Conservative leaders adopted new tactics today in their effort to convince the voters that the adoption of protection as proposed by them, will work a great industrial benefit to England.

Young Walford-Astor, the Conservative parliamentary candidate from Plymouth, says he will give \$250 to charity if food prices increase during the first year of the operation of the proposed tariff. Charles Beyer, a Bath manufacturer, announces that he will give \$5,000 to charity if he does not increase the number of his employees by 1,000 within two years, under a protection policy.

Other offers of this sort are being made and the effect has been to make many workmen believe the end of all their troubles will come with the adoption of protection.

Balfour Held Responsible.
That the Conservatives are not counting too strongly on wresting control of parliament from the Liberals is indicated today in the increasing criticisms of the Conservative leader, Arthur Balfour, the former premier. In the event of a decisive Liberal victory, it is certain that the Conservatives will place the responsibility on Balfour.

The worst accusation made against Balfour is that he has sacrificed vigor for dignity, and that his moderation, while fitting in a cabinet meeting, is wholly out of place in such a campaign as the Liberals are waging.

Balfour favors protection, but refuses to say that protection will end the problem of lack of employment; he urges a big navy as defense against German aggression, but refuses to say that he believes Germany is preparing for a war against England; he deprecates the Liberals' attacks on the peers, but confesses that the house of lords needs reformation.

Not Claiming Much.
At Glasgow last night Balfour actually shocked his audience by refusing to predict the result of the election. The best comfort he could hold out to his Conservative audience was that "I am sure that the Radical majority in the next house of commons will not exceed 50."

Such moderation as this, the Conservative leaders declare, will not win many votes, and is largely responsible for the failure to make the expected Conservative gains this week. The opponents in the Conservative ranks think that Balfour ought either to adopt more aggressive tactics, profess complete confidence and shout the party's slogans, or yield the leadership to Balfour so far, however, has shown no inclination to do either.

Since Monday the Liberals have been constantly raising their claims, which has had a disquieting effect among the Conservatives.

M. J. COLBERT HEADS BAR ASSOCIATION

Lawyers' Organization Elects Officers—Corporation Counsel

Thomas Indorsed.

Michael J. Colbert is today president of the District Bar Association, succeeding Nathaniel Wilson. The other officers are Benjamin S. Miller, first vice president; Henry W. Sobon, second vice president; H. Prescott Galtley, secretary; Charles H. Crand, treasurer; and Nathaniel Wilson, Oscar Luckett, and John Lewis Smith, directors.

Two resolutions were adopted at the meeting of the association held last evening, one expressing the confidence of the organization in Edward H. Thomas, corporation counsel, who underwent criticism recently when his name was urged by his friends for Commissioner of the District of Columbia. The other resolution provided for the appointment of a committee of seven to investigate the auditorship of the District Court.

DEATH IS EXPECTED OF MRS. ELSIE SIGEL

Widow of General Sigel and Grand-
mother of Murdered Girl
Canno Recover.

NEW YORK, Jan. 12.—It has been given out by her physicians that Mrs. Elsie Sigel cannot recover from the attack of paralysis with which she has been stricken. Mrs. Sigel is the widow of Gen. Franz Sigel, and before her marriage was Elsie Dulon. Her father, Dr. Rudolph Dulon, a native of Weiden, Germany, was compelled to flee that country in 1849 because of his activity in the revolution of 1848.

Elsie Dulon was married in 1845 to Franz Sigel, of Brooklyn, and there are at her bedside their three children, Mrs. Schell, Franz Sigel, and Paul Sigel, whose daughter, Elsie, was murdered by a Chinaman here in May, 1909.

DR. MORGAN HEADS COLUMBIA SOCIETY

Dr. James Dudley Morgan is receiving congratulations today on his election as president of the Columbia Historical Society. Officers elected at a meeting at the Shoreham Hotel last night were: Vice presidents, Justice Job Barnard and Allen C. Clark; treasurer, William H. Dennis; recording secretary, Mrs. Mary Stevens Beall; corresponding secretary, M. L. Waller; curator, James F. Hood; chronicler, Mrs. Madison Ballinger; members of the board of managers for four years, L. P. Shoemaker, William V. Cox, to fill the unexpired term of Judge A. B. Hagner.

CHILD BURNED TO DEATH.

BURLINGTON, N. J., Jan. 12.—Left alone at home while her mother was calling on a neighbor, four-year-old Ida Johnson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Zachariah Johnson, was burned to death this afternoon.

Attempts Murder



MISS ALMA BELL.

STORROW DEMANDS RECOUNT OF VOTES

Candidate Barely Defeated
For Boston's Mayor Pre-
paring Petition.

BOSTON, Jan. 12.—Possibility that John F. Fitzgerald, though declared elected mayor of Boston by 1,415 plurality—by unofficial count—may not rule the destinies of the Hub for the next four years, came today when James J. Storrow, the apparently defeated candidate of the Good Government Association, announced that a recount would be demanded. According to the Storrow figures, Fitzgerald's lead is really less than 300, and he believes it is possible he may be counted in.

The Storrow managers today started on their plan for a recount. In Boston it is necessary to have the signatures of fifty voters, in each of the twenty-five wards of the city, before a recount will be ordered, and the sun was barely up today before the necessary documents were being circulated.

CHARTER IS ASKED FOR CHEVY CHASE

Citizens Will Make Appeal to
Legislature of Mary-
land.

The Maryland Legislature will be asked within the next few days to grant a charter to Chevy Chase, Md. A charter for submission to the Legislature was adopted last night by a group of citizens representing a majority of the inhabitants of the thriving suburb, and a working committee composed of the following taxpayers was named: Preston Shepley, John L. Woodford, J. W. Yorkes, T. W. S. Swartzell, George C. Wedderburn, Dr. Glenman, Vernon Hodges, and W. T. S. Currie.

The charter provides police and fire protection, a street cleaning squad, and playgrounds. It will be ruled by a mayor and council.

HOUGH IS CHOSEN BY GARRICK CLUB

At the annual meeting of the Garrick Club the following officers were elected:
Judge Robert T. Hough, president; Dr. W. H. Wunder, vice president; Eugene S. Doughty, treasurer; Irvin Rittenhouse, secretary; and Charles C. Randolph, Henry M. Camm, J. D. Hayward, John J. Nolan, M. W. Scanlon, J. W. Lee, and Frederick W. Phazey, members of the board of governors.

GENERAL WOODFORD HONORED BY KAISER

American Rides to Palace In
Royal Coach and Is
Graciously Received.

BERLIN, Jan. 12.—Gen. Steward L. Woodford, who as head of the American committee which arranged for the Hudson-Fulton celebration, and who since that time as special envoy has visited a number of European courts to present their monarchs with medals voted them, had a reception in Berlin which delighted him.

Having notified the Emperor through the American ambassador the purpose of his visit, an audience was granted him by order of the Kaiser. General Woodford was given a private audience. The royal coach, drawn by six magnificent horses and with twelve outriders in the imperial livery, and escorted by a troop of cavalry, went to the hotel where Woodford was in waiting, and he was driven in state to the palace.

At the entrance to the palace the chief chamberlain was in waiting with all of the noblemen who hold palace posts. Headed by medieval garbed heralds, whose quaint motley costumes contrasted strangely with the brilliant uniforms of the officers, the procession passed

ALMA BELL TRIES TO KILL FAMILY

California Girl, Recently
Acquitted of Murder, Is
Believed to Be Insane.

WILLOW, Cal., Jan. 12.—According to a story told today by members of the Bolton family, Miss Alma Bell, who was recently acquitted of the murder of Joe Ames, who deserted her at Auburn, Cal., suddenly went insane Sunday and attempted to kill Bolton's young son with a revolver.

She was disarmed. Later a stranger named Birch is said to have visited Miss Bell and talked with her until 3:30 o'clock in the morning. The same day, before the members of the family had arisen, the stranger returned and had a long talk with the girl. When the man was gone, it is charged that Miss Bell secured a repeating rifle and sought to kill the entire family. Again she was disarmed.

The girl is rational now, but it is feared there will be a recurrence of her mental derangement. She had been visiting the Boltons here and her mother has been sent for. It is probable she will be sent to some institution until her faculties are restored. The girl's wrongs at the hands of Ames are said to have unbalanced her mind.

SENATE SEEKS DATA ON CIVIL PENSIONING

Cummins Resolution Provides Steps to Secure Information as to What Other Countries Do Respecting This Subject—Railroad Regulation Bill Introduced.

The Senate is taking steps to secure information as to what other countries are doing with respect to the pensioning and retirement of civil employees, and what the various plans are for such retirement both abroad and in this country.

Following a meeting of the Senate Committee on Civil Service, of which Senator Cummins is chairman, a favorable report was made with amendments on the Cummins resolution which calls on the Secretary of Commerce and Labor for all information in his possession with respect to retirement plans in other countries and in this country, for employees in the civil service. The resolution later was passed without opposition. An amendment to the resolution calls for information as to retirement plans of railroad and other corporations.

The action of the Senate in calling for this information is looking the way for consideration later on in the Senate of this important question of the adoption of a plan whereby Government employees in the classified service will be retired and pensioned.

The committee on civil service has promised to give a hearing in a short time of the representatives of the Retirement Association which has been formed among the Government employees.

Senator Elkins has introduced in the Senate the administration bill for the further regulation of railroads and other carriers. This is the same bill which was introduced in the House by Representative Townsend. Senator Elkins believes the bill will pass without amendment.

K. OF C. RELIEF PLAN LEFT TO COUNCILS

The Knights of Columbus will not adopt a plan of general co-operation with the Red Cross relief work until the State councils have passed on this question. This was the decision of the national directors of the Knights, whose two days' session came to an end last night at the Shoreham Hotel. Some of the directors favor general co-operation with the Red Cross throughout the world, while others advocate independent charity. The directors will next meet in Washington in April.

DVORAK'S CONCERTO PLAYED BY ELMAN

Soloist of Boston Symphony
Scores Another
Triumph.

Mischa Elman, soloist at the third concert of the Boston Symphony Orchestra, given yesterday at the New National Theater at the last moment changed his number on the program and instead of the Spanish Symphony for violin and orchestra, by Lola, substituted Dvorak's concerto for violin in A minor (op. 53).

Otherwise the program was given as first arranged, the Beethoven's much discussed Eroica being the symphony number. Mr. Fiedler's perfect organization left nothing to be desired in the rendition of a work "painted" to express the progress and consummation of the life of an heroic individuality.

The overture to Smetana's "Bartered Bride," a rollicking comedy song depicting the misadventures of an "arranged" village wedding completed the program.

Mr. Elman's contribution, which was superbly given, was a colorful piece of work, which gave the young musician ample opportunity to show his virtuosity.

FALL OF MANAGUA IS EXPECTED SOON

General Chamorro's Army
Marching Upon Nica-
ragua's Capital.

MENA AND FORCES NEARING ACOYAPA

Government Defeated In Small
Clash—Further Resistance
Not Expected.

BLUEFIELDS, via Wireless to Colon, Jan. 12.—The complete overthrow of President Madriz and the government forces within the next fortnight is confidently expected by the revolutionary sympathizers here today, as a result of the initial victory of the soldiers forming the advance guard of General Chamorro's army, which is advancing on Managua.

General Chamorro is at the head of 3,000 soldiers, and is now in the Chontales department. He can easily reach Managua within two weeks, and, if necessary, can reduce the time to ten days. General Mena is within a few miles of Acoyapa, with 5,000 soldiers under him.

Mena is counted on to defeat the government troops under General Vasquez at Acoyapa. A decisive battle there is imminent. A small clash took place yesterday at Laverdas, ten miles from Acoyapa, where government forces being driven back into the town. Later, it is reported, General Vasquez sent a much stronger force to the outpost, and succeeded in checking the revolutionary advance.

If Mena meets with serious resistance at Acoyapa, Chamorro will move his entire army against the town, and there is no one here who doubts that a combined attack of the two wings of the revolutionary army will win an overwhelming victory.

The resistance at Laverdas was the first encountered by the revolutionists, which leads to the belief that, aside from the expected battle at Acoyapa, the march to Managua will be accomplished without serious obstacles. Provisional President Estrada is believed to have the situation as well in hand that there is an increasing demand that he agree to no compromise with Madriz on any other terms than the elevation of Estrada to the presidency.

FUNERAL SERVICES FOR MRS. BUFORD

Mother of Mrs. J. Franklin Bell
To Be Interred In
Illinois.

Accompanied by members of the family, the body of Mrs. T. J. Buford, mother-in-law of Gen. J. Franklin Bell, U. S. A., was this morning taken aboard a train for Rock Island, Ill., where burial will be made Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Buford was born at Northampton, Mass., in 1831, and lived with her parents in that town until her marriage to Mr. Buford, when she moved to Rock Island, Ill. After the death of her husband last fall Mrs. Buford made her home with her daughter at Fort Myer, Va. Her death, which was due to heart disease, followed an illness of almost three weeks.

She is survived by three daughters, Mrs. J. Franklin Bell, Mrs. E. A. Darling, of Washington, and Mrs. M. S. Hasley, of Minneapolis, and two sons, T. J. Buford, of St. Paul, Minn., and J. Watson Buford, of Missoula, Mont.

MAID DISCOVERS LOST BANK ROLL

Gets \$100 Reward Because She
Shook 'Up the
Mattress.

NEW YORK, Jan. 12.—Mary O'Neill, a hotel maid, today is worth \$50.00 more than she was yesterday, because she is a good maid and is honest.

Edward Healey, chief of police of San Jose, Cal., came to New York Monday with \$500 in real money. He said he has it to put on the Jeff-Johnson fight for a Western sportsman. After a good night's rest, Chief Healey missed his money.

Mary O'Neill saw Healey and straightway handed him the roll, saying: "Here's some change I found under the mattress of your bed. Some of the girls here never shake up the mattresses, but I always do. If it hadn't been for that I never would have found it."

Healey gave the maid a \$100 note and she immediately bought a 25-cent dust cake. She says she will start a bank account with the \$50.

CONSERVATIVES CRY SUBSIDY IS A BRIBE

Cabinet Offer to Egyptian Cotton
Growers Arouses Protests From
Opposition Party.

LONDON, Jan. 12.—The announcement by the cabinet that the government will for the next three years grant \$50,000 a year to the Egyptian Cotton Growers, the fund to be expended under the jurisdiction of the British Cotton Growers' Association, has aroused the Conservatives. They declare that the subsidy is nothing more or less than an indirect bribe intended to placate the Lancashire spinners, who are suffering because of the high price of American cotton.

GOLF CLUB ELECTS

The following officers were elected at a meeting of the Columbia Golf Club last night: president, John E. Wilkie; vice president, J. W. McKinley; treasurer, W. E. Danforth; secretary, Benjamin Woodruff. The golf club will be associated with the Columbia Country Club, when the latter occupies its new clubhouse next summer.

SKATER IS DROWNED.

FLORENCE, N. J., Jan. 12.—While skating on the Delaware, sixteen-year-old Carl Peterson, of this place, fell into an air hole. His cries for help brought other lads, who formed a human chain in the effort to rescue him, but just as they neared him his hold on the edge of the ice broke and he was swept under by the tide. The body could not be recovered.

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MOVE FOR ECONOMY MADE IN CONGRESS

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Indications are that inquiries into the expenditures of the different executive departments will now become fashionable and that every department of the Government will begin to find its expenditures rigidly scrutinized. This will be done by the various House committees having charge of the expenditures in the departments.

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